

REMARKS

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed on March 30, 2010, which has been reviewed and carefully considered. Reconsideration and allowance of the present application in view of the amendments made above and the remarks to follow are respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 3-4, 6 and 8-11 are pending in this application, where claims 1, 6 and 8 are independent.

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that claims 1, 3, 4 and 10 are allowed. Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication that claims 1, 3, 4 and 10 are allowed.

In the Office Action, claim 8 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 5,784,528 (Yamane) in view of U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2009/0016438 (McDade) and one of U.S. Patent No. 6,070,236 (Winter) and U.S. Patent No. 5,907,659 (Yamauchi). Further, claims 9, 11 and 6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Yamane in view of U.S. McDade, and one of Winter and Yamauchi. Applicants respectfully traverse and submit that claims 6, 8, 9 and 11 are patentable over Yamane, McDade, Winter and Yamauchi for at least the following reasons.

On page 6 of the Office Action, it is alleged that "standard DVD format includes, by definition, at least one playlist." It is respectfully submitted that independent claims 6 and 8 recited more than a mere playlist. In particular, it is respectfully submitted that Yamane, McDade, Winter, Yamauchi, and combination thereof, do not teach or suggest the present

invention as recited in independent claim 6, and similarly recited in independent claim 8 which, amongst other patentable elements, recites (illustrative emphasis provided):

wherein the first video signal forms, on a display, a sequence of images having a first displayed size, and the second video signal forms, on the display, a sequence of images having a second displayed size, the second displayed size of the images being smaller than the first displayed size, wherein the digital information signal further comprises a parameter signal indicative for a location where the second video signal has to be overlaid on top of the first video signal when said first and second video signals are to be combined to form a composite video signal, and wherein the digital information signal further comprises a separate playlist comprising the second video signal and items having a displayed size smaller than the first displayed size for selection of the second video signal or the items by a user for display on the display.


A playlist including items having a displayed size smaller than the first displayed size for selection to be displayed on a display is nowhere disclosed or suggested in Yamane, McDade, Winter and Yamauchi, alone or in combination. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that independent claims 6 and 8 be allowed. In addition, it is respectfully requested that claims 9 and 11 also be allowed at least based on their dependence from independent claim 8 as well as their individually patentable elements.

In addition, Applicants deny any statement, position or averment of the Examiner that is not specifically addressed by the foregoing argument and response. Any rejections and/or points of argument not addressed would appear to be moot in view of the presented remarks. However, the Applicants reserve the right to submit further arguments in support of the above stated position, should that become necessary. No arguments are waived and none of the Examiner's statements are conceded. And in particular, no Official Notices

are conceded.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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